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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE PRODUCTS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

SECTION 1. Section 302A-1509, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[+]§302A-1509[+] **Environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products for use in public schools.** (a) The department of education shall require that all public school facilities give first preference, where feasible, to the purchase and use of environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products that have been approved by the design for the environment program of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the EcoLogo program administered by TerraChoice Environmental Marketing Inc., or the Green Seal program, pursuant to section 321-26.5, for use in public school facilities:

(1) To clean hard surfaces in bathrooms such as counters, walls, floors, fixtures, basins, tubs, or tile;

(2) To eliminate dirt and stains on rugs and carpeting;

(3) For routine cleaning of hard surfaces, including impervious flooring such as concrete or tile; provided that this category shall not include:

(A) Products intended primarily to strip, polish, or wax floors; or

(B) Cleaners intended primarily for cleaning toilet bowls, dishes, laundry, upholstery, or wood;

(4) To clean glass, windows, mirrors, or metallic or polished surfaces;

(5) For routine, non-specialized hand cleaning;

(6) Paper towels or other paper used for cleaning; provided that this category shall not include toilet paper, facial tissue, or paper towels used for drying hands; and

(7) Other categories as identified ~~[in]~~ by the department of health.

(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the use of any disinfectant, disinfecting cleaner, sanitizer, or any other antimicrobial product regulated by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (Title 7 United States Code Section 136)."

SECTION 2. Section 321-26.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"[+]§321-26.5[+] Environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products for use in public schools; approved list of products.** (a) The department of health shall maintain a list of products that have been approved by the design for the environment program of the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the EcoLogo program administered by TerraChoice Environmental Marketing Inc., or the Green Seal program for public school facilities to use as a first preference guideline when purchasing and using environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products; provided that the department may add or remove any product from the list as deemed necessary by the director.

(b) The department shall review and evaluate existing research issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency regarding environmentally-sensitive cleaning and maintenance products [~~, including any research and guidance issued by the United States Environmental Protection Agency~~]."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

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**Description:**

Adds the design for the environment program of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and the EcoLogo program administered by TerraChoice Environmental Marketing Inc. as additional programs whose approved cleaning and maintenance products will be given first preference by the DOE in the purchase and use of cleaning and maintenance products in public schools. (SD1)

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